# **Cold mounting resins**

Mainly intended for the metallography research sector, the LAM PLAN range of cold mounting resins offers many technical and economic advantages.

The cold mounting resins are the solution for samples which do not withstand high pressure or temperature. In addition, they allow responding in a simple and efficient way to timely needs by circumventing the investment of a hot mounting press. You can achieve a large quantity of samples simultaneously while adjusting precisely the volume of mounting material and shape of the moulds.

#### **ACRYLIC RESIN 601.2**

The fluidity of this transparent mounting resin and its very low shrinkage ensure a maximum penetration ratio in cavities. It is ideal for microelectronics, optics and microsystem applications. Compatible for conventional scanning electron microscopy (SEM) examinations.

Mono-component resin easy to dose and manipulate (no loss). Polymerisation with low temperature rise in 20 minutes in the blue light device M.M.866 + 10 minutes for the surface varnish. With no disturbing odour, it is resistant to alcohol and acids..

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Transparent Acrylic Monocomponent Maximum exothermic temperature: 95°	Resin 1000 ml + varnish 100 ml set	06 00601 00
	Resin 1000 ml	06 01601 00
	Varnish 100 ml	06 01602 00





Without shrinkage

# EPOXY RESIN 603

The Resin 603 is a two-component epoxy resin without CMR substance used to achieve high quality technical metallographic mountings at room temperature. This resin is the best choice when the transparency of the coating is a requirement. The resin has zero shrinkage, excellent adhesion to all kinds of materials and a very good chemical resistance.

With an ideally adjusted viscosity, the resin 603 is used to mount metallographic specimens with complex shapes, porosities, or delicate technical coatings.

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Transparent Epoxy 2 liguid components	Liquid 1000 ml + hardener 500 ml set	06 00603 00
Maximum exothermic	Liquid 1000 ml	06 01603 00
temperature: 105°	Hardener 500 ml	06 02603 00



**EPOXY RESIN 603.2** 

The Resin 603.2 is a fast-curing two-component epoxy resin without CMR substance used to make technical metallographic mountings. It must be used on materials that withstand temperatures of  $140^{\circ}$ C.

This transparent resin has zero shrinkage, excellent adhesion to all kinds of materials and very good chemical resistance.

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Transparent Epoxy 2 liquid components Maximum exothermic temperature: 140°	Liquid 1000 ml + hardener 500 ml set	06 00603 20
	Liquid 1000 ml	06 01603 20
	Hardener 500 ml	06 02603 20

Fast hardening

## METHYL-METHACRYLATE RESIN 605

Versatile, it is adapted to the majority of common materials for the fast mounting standard sample. It is possible to change the viscosity by modifying the proportion of the mixture: liquid + powder. Resistant to the principal acids used in laboratories.

Solvent free and CMR-free (no Carcinogenic, Mutagenic, toxic to Reproduction susptences).

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Green Methyl-methacrylate	Powder 1 kg + catalyst 500 ml set	06 00605 00
2 components (powder and liquid)	Catalyst 500 ml	06 00615 00
Maximum exothermic	Powder kit (10 kg) + catalyst (5 litres)	06 00605 10
temperature: 108°	Catalyst (5 litres: pack. 2 x 2.5 litres)*	06 00615 10



## CMR-free

#### **POLYESTER RESIN 607**

The Resin 607 is a three-component resin based on modified polyester.

This fast curing resin adheres perfectly to metal surfaces and its mechanical characteristics make it particularly effective on very hard materials.

Its very low shrinkage allows edge examinations on metallographic samples.

It is resistant to the main acids and bases used in laboratories.

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Modified white polyester	Resin kit: catalyst 500 ml + hardener 250 ml + powder 750 g	06 00607 00
3 components	Catalyst 500 ml	06 00607 10
Maximum exothermic temperature: 122°	Hardener 250 ml	06 00607 20
	Powder 750 g	06 00607 30



### **METHYL-METHACRYLATE RESIN 609**

A perfectly transparent resin used for precision parts, notably those of the electrical or electronics industry. It renders the sample perfectly visible, which allows analysing precise points. It must be used with the pneumatic device M.M.808 to obtain an optimum transparency.

The methyl-methacrylate resin 609 is available in the Plastichrome version – 5 transparent colours to simplify the classification of samples.

Solvent free and CMR-free (no Carcinogenic, Mutagenic, toxic to Reproduction susptences).

#### 609

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Methyl-methacrylate Transparent 2 components (powder + liquid) Maximum exothermic temperature: 99°	Powder 1 kg + catalyst 500 ml set	06 00609 00
	Catalyst 500 ml	06 00619 00
	Powder 1 kg	06 00609 20
	Powder 10 kg + catalyst 5000 ml set	06 00609 10
	Catalyst 5000 ml (pack. 2 x 2500 ml)*	06 00619 10

#### **609 PLASTICHROME**

Characteristics	Qty.	Color	Ref.	
Methyl-methacrylate	Powder 1 kg + Catalyst 500 ml set	BLUE	06 0071B 00	
Transparent coloured 2 components (powder + liquid) Maximum exothermic temperature: 99°		YELLOW	06 0071 J 00	
		ORANGE	06 00710 00	
		RED	06 0071R 00	
		GREEN	06 0071V 00	





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\* Packaging related to transport restrictions

Coating after polishing

Dissolution with acetone

Recover your intact sample

#### **METHYL-METHACRYLATE RESIN 665**

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#### Cold setting resin for sample recovery.

Mounting is a step in metallographic sample preparation which enables samples to be ground and polished more ergonomically. Embedding the sample in a resin is usually irreversible and recovering the sample (if necessary) after embedding proves almost impossible.

Resin 665 is a cold mounting resin that has the unique ability to dissolve in acetone. This ability is transformed into a sustainable functionality to recover metallographic specimens after mounting. After metallographic processing of costly materials such as noble metals, it is often important from an economic and technical perspective to recover the samples from the mounting resin.

Characteristics	Qty.	Ref.
Modified green polyester 2 components	Powder 1 kg + catalyst 500 ml set	06 00665 00
(Powder + Liquid) Maximum exothermic	Catalyst 500 ml	06 02665 00
temperature: 112°	Powder 1 kg	06 01665 00

#### Advice on the use of LAM PLAN cold resins

Material	Resin	Characteristics	Volumetrical shrinkage	T°*	Color	Polymerisation
Acrylic	601.2	Liquid monocomponent Low heating	Very low	95°C	Transparent	Curing < 20 min in the blue lightening device +10 min for the varnish
Ероху	603	Without shrinkage	Non-existent if used with pressure device M.M.808	105°C	Transparent	Curing 10 hours
	603.2	Fast curing excellent adhesion	Non-existent	140°C	Transparent	Curing 2 hours
Methyl methacrylate	605	Versatility	1 %	108°C	Green	Fast Curing < 10 min
Modified polyester	607	Hardness	Very Low (<0,2%)	122°C	Beige	Fast Curing < 15 min
Methyl methacrylate	609	Excellent transparency if used with pressure device M.M.808	1 %	99°C	Transparent = colourless + 5 colours (series Plastichrome )	Fast Curing < 10 min
Methyl methacrylate	665	Soluble resin	Correct	112°C	Green	Fast Curing < 15 min

\* Peak exothermic temperatures during polymerisation for a 40 g sample of resin at 20°C

#### Procedure for cold mounting

Keep the thin samples on the slice. Mix the resin components in the indicated proportions. Mix gently to avoid creating air bubbles. Pour the resin into the mould to the desired level and allow to cure in the open air or in an M.M.808 pressure vessel to remove any bubbles or pores. To limit heating and shrinkage, fill the mould in successive layers.

Resin	Blending proportions	GUIDANCE
601.2	1 liquid + 1 varnish. Apply the varnish on top of the coating 20 minutes after polymerisation in the M.M.866 device	
603	2 volums of powder for 1 volume of liquid	
603.2	2 volums of powder for 1 volume of liquid	
605	2 volums of powder for 2 volumes of liquid 1 and 1 volume of liquid 2	
607	3 volums of powder for 2 volume of liquid	
609	2 volums of powder for 1 volume of liquid	
665	2 volums of powder for 1 volume of liquid	